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September 16, 1953

MEMORANDUM TO MESSRS. RADIUS, GODEL, BAKER AND GENERAL PORTER

SUBJECT: OCB Implementation of PSB D-23, "U.S. Psychological Strategy Based on Thailand"

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NSC Action No. 900 of September 9, 1953, adopted the summary of this paper, and transmitted it, subject to the textual changes agreed, to OCB as the designated coordinating agency. PSB is now in the process of circulating the final version, which will reach the agencies shortly. I think you should be consulted about the number of copies and their distribution in your department or agency and I am asking Chuck Johnson to phone you about it.

At your early convenience I hope we can meet to discuss a recommendation to our Board and other matters connected with OCB responsibilities with regard to this paper. Since USIA is involved in it, I propose to invite a representative to sit with us, probably Abbott Washburn. Before the creation of OCB an officer in most, if not all, our agencies was informally earmarked for a PSB working group to coordinate implementation of the plan when approved. These officers, as well as the main PSB liaison officers (e.g. Joe Phillips, Artie Zacharias) may have useful background for you. In any case, when we meet we should consider whether this arrangement or something like it should be firmed up.

We also need to consider division of agency responsibilities for operational planning (this may be adequately covered by the action responsibilities noted in the paper), and to agree on deadlines. Undoubtedly a good deal of operational planning has already been done that is relevant to this paper and perhaps some actions are already underway.

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GEORGE A. MORGAN
Acting Director

cc: Mr. Abbott Washburn

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